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In re Application of:)
Thorsten STABEL et al.) Confirmation No.: 1320
Application No.: 10/826,311) Group Art Unit: 3722
Filed: April 19, 2004) Examiner: S. Addisu
For: CUTTING INSERT HAVING A RAKE)
SURFACE AND A PLATEAU)
SURFACE SEPARATED BY A STEP)

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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 16, 2006, the period for response to which extends through November 16, 2006, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal.